





Today's  
Advertisements.GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.  
No. 439.

Information has been received from the Military Authorities that ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place from the 1st to the 31st January, 1896 (New Year's day excepted), between the hours of 8 A.M. and 5 P.M. daily, as follows:

From Stone Cutters Island, East and South Shore Batteries in Westerly and South-Westerly directions.

From Lyemun in North-Westerly, North-Easterly and South-Easterly directions.

All Ships, Junks, and other Vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the ranges.

The inhabitants of the houses at Stone Cutters Island are warned to keep their glass windows open during the PRACTICE.

By Command,  
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Colonial Secretary,  
Hongkong 20th December, 1895. [1800]

## NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "HANKOW,"  
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA  
AND KOBE.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [1805]

## CHINA-NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.  
THE Steamship

"KALGAN,"  
Captain Outerbridge, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 23rd instant, at Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [1803]



NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
FOR SHANGHAI, JINSEN AND NAGASAKI.  
THE Company's Steamship

"YAMASHIRO MARU,"  
Captain J. R. Macmillan, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 23rd instant, at 4 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [1792]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT).  
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for CHEFOO, HANKOW and PORTS on the YANGTZEK).

THE Company's Steamship  
"ESANG,"  
Captain W. O. M. Young, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 23rd instant, at 4 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [1801]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).  
THE Company's Steamship

"ZAFIRO,"  
Captain Cobban, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 24th instant, at Noon.  
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SHEWAN & Co.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [1806]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI, VIA SWATOW.  
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for CHEFOO, HANKOW and PORTS on the YANGTZEK).

THE Company's Steamship

"FOOKSANG,"  
Captain R. V. Anderson, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 23rd instant, at 4 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [1803]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR KUDAT AND SANDAKAN.  
THE Steamship

"MEMNON,"  
Captain B. Branch, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 25th instant, at Daylight.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [1804]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR CHEFOO AND SWATOW.  
THE Steamship

"TAMUI,"  
will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 27th inst.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [1805]

TO LET.

DWELLING HOUSES.—  
HOUSES IN RIFON TERRACE,  
No. 3, ALVESTON TERRACE,  
OFFICES.—

FIRST FLOOR No. 7, PRAYA  
CENTRAL, lately occupied by  
Messrs. HOLLAND, WISE & Co.  
Apply to  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT  
& AGENCY Co., Ltd.,  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [17]

Today's  
Advertisements.CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.  
No. 67.

NOTICE is hereby given that  
WEDNESDAY next, the 25th instant,  
and WEDNESDAY, the 31st January, 1896, will  
be observed as HOLIDAYS at the KOWLOON  
CUSTOMS OFFICE.  
Work at the Opium Examination Office and  
Customs Stations will proceed as usual.  
H. M. HILLIER,  
Acting Commissioner of Customs  
for Kowloon and District.

THE SPORTSMAN'S  
POCKET BOOK.

PUBLISHED  
AT THE  
"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" OFFICE.  
PRICE—\$1.50 PER COPY.

N.B.—This work is a complete record of the  
most recent Hongkong, Shanghai and Coast  
Port Race Meetings and, in addition to a good  
deal of other useful information, contains a  
Shanghai Course, as well as several pages of  
Sporting Memoranda and a useful index.  
Hongkong, 19th October, 1895. [1406]

## Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &  
COMPANY, LIMITED,  
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,  
HONGKONG.

## AERATED WATERS.

## SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.  
LEMONADE.  
GINGER ALE.  
SARSAPARILLA.  
RASPBERRY VADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are  
made under the constant supervision of a duly  
qualified English Chemist and will bear com-  
parison with the best English Manufactures.  
Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSRS and  
other Large Consumers.  
Any complaints should be addressed to the  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 21st May, 1895. [1630]

THE  
HONGKONG DISPENSARY  
has just received FRESH SUPPLIES of

WHOLESALE  
CONFECTIONERY  
AND  
DELICIOUS SWEETS,  
of the HIGHEST QUALITY and PURITY.

These include—  
CADBURY'S SPECIAL CREMES  
PATE D'ABRICOT, JORDAN ALMONDS  
CARAMELS, PRALINES.

DESSERT CHOCOLATE,  
NOUGAT, FRUIT JELLIES,  
CRYSTALLISED FRUITS,  
METZ FRUITS,  
ASSORTED TOFFEES,  
MIXED BONBONS,  
FRY'S CHOCOLATES,  
TANGERINE BISCUITS,  
ORANGE PASTE, ORANGE ROLLS,  
&c., &c., &c.

Together with the Latest Novelties in  
FANCY BOXES,  
which are very suitable as Seasonable Presents  
for LADIES and YOUNG PEOPLE.

FRENCH  
CONFECTIONERY and CONSERVES,  
in Large Assortment,  
from the BEST PARISIEN HOUSES.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,  
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1845.  
Hongkong, 20th November, 1895. [1]

## NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

It is requested that all communications relating to Subscriptions, Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the "Manager, Hongkong Telegraph," and not to the Editor.  
Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.  
Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for publication, but as evidence of good faith.  
While the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always be open for the free discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1895.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

From time to time during the past few weeks the Manila papers have contained glowing reports of tremendous victories achieved by the Spanish troops in Cuba. If all the victories claimed to have been won were "true bills," or say only half of them, every man, woman and child in Cuba ought to have been killed long ago, while the justification for sending large reinforcements from Madrid to Cuba would have vanished gradually as each "crushing defeat" of the rebels was accomplished. The news which reached us lastly through Reuters' Agency that upwards of 10,000 men of all arms would be despatched from Spain for Cuba early in January, indicated, of course, that the situation in Cuba was daily becoming more critical and that so formidable had the rebel army become that the "insurrection" was recognised as an affair which could not be treated lightly, and, on the contrary, it would only be by virtue of a large army in the field and the expenditure of vast sums of money that the power of the insurgent leaders could be crushed. That our surmises were well founded we are now assured, and as the press of Hongkong cannot be "gagged" like the press of Manila, we have much pleasure in giving a few facts relative to the true state of affairs in Cuba, which the Manila papers dare not publish. To put it briefly, we learn that of 150,000 men sent to Cuba 80,000 have either been killed outright or incapacitated from further service by sickness. General MARTINEZ CAMPOS, the Commander-in-Chief, according to our information, more like an old woman than a live, up-to-date military officer, and he will not allow a body of men a hundred miles away from his headquarters, in a country without roads and telegraphs, to move without special orders given under his hand and seal. He has been in the habit of having small bodies of men stationed in various directions who could have saved themselves from disaster if their commanding officers had been allowed to exercise their own discretion, but as they have been ordered to hold certain points and make no move without authority from the Commander-in-Chief it often happens that overwhelming numbers of rebels swoop down on the outposts and kill them to a man. One of the Cabinet Ministers, ROMERO ROSADO, to wit, lately proposed to his colleagues to remove General CAMPOS from office, and another General to the front, and prosecute the campaign vigorously, but unfortunately for the fair fame of the Spanish Government, strong representations led to high words and from high words to a "split" in the gubernatorial camp, as will be seen by a telegram published in another column. What the end of the revolt in Cuba will be is hard to say; a good deal depends on the United States and the maintenance of peace in Europe. One thing is certain and it is that the Spanish Government is no nearer a settlement of the Cuban difficulty than it was months ago.

In our last issue we published the *Japan Mail* version of the regulations which the Japanese Government have thought fit to promulgate for the guidance of Chinese desiring to reside in Formosa. Having due regard to the fact that the Japanese insist upon treating the Chinese as *being apart from other races*, the regulations appear to us to be fair and reasonable. Article 5 of the treaty of Shimonoseki, which bears on this subject, appears rather complicated. We submit a translation of it for which we are indebted to the *Kobe Herald*, a newspaper which seems to tackle the question in a more equitable and sensible spirit than the *Japan Mail*.

Inhabitants of the districts ceded to Japan who may wish to live outside the ceded district shall have the liberty to sell their immovable property and leave the place; for that purpose two years of the ratifications of the present treaty, provided that, when the said period has expired, the inhabitants who have not yet left the district may at Japanese choice be regarded as subjects of the Japanese empire. Both the Japanese and Chinese Governments shall appoint one or more commissioners immediately upon the exchange of the ratifications of the present treaty, to finish delivery of Formosa. The delivery shall be completed within two months after the exchange of the ratifications of the present treaty.

The *Japan Mail* appears anxious to have the Chinese expelled, *in toto* from Formosa, and it is a very good thing that the Editor of the *Mail* was not invited to frame the treaty. Japan merely insists that only approved Chinese shall be allowed, on naturalisation, all the rights of an ordinary Japanese subject, and that all others shall, "to speak," be classed as persons unfit for the rights of citizenship, but shall still remain as holders of land or other property. The provisions of the treaty appear to have been framed in particularly liberal spirit by the Japanese towards the vanquished Chinese, and we cordially agree with our *Kobe* contemporary that the *Japan Mail* should have been more careful of reading a weak and unjustifiable argument on an incorrect and misleading version of Article 5 in the Shimonoseki treaty.

## TELEGRAMS.

## REUTERS' MESSAGES.

GREAT BRITAIN, THE UNITED STATES AND THE VENEZUELAN QUESTION.  
LONDON, December 19th.

The U. S. Senate, on a motion proposed by Senator Morgan and supported by Senator Sherman, has decided to refer the Venezuela Delimitation Commission to the Foreign Committee. Both Senators supported President Cleveland, but deprecated hasty action in the matter.

## CANADA AND THE VENEZUELAN DIFFICULTY.

The Canadian Press applauds Lord Salisbury and urges the Government to look to its defences.

(From *Diario de Manila*).

THE WAR IN CUBA.  
Our troops are continually gaining victories over the rebels.

## NEW SPANISH COINAGE.

DEATH TO THE MEXICAN!  
MADRID, December 17th.  
When the new coinage for Puerto Rico has been completed the new coin for the Philippines will be struck off as soon as possible. As soon as the Philippines Government is supplied with the new coin it will be decreed that Spanish money only shall be legal tender in the Philippines.

## THE MUNICIPAL SCANDALS.

MADRID, December 19th.  
There was immense excitement in the city to-day. All the shops were shut and all the party chiefs took part in a demonstration designed to intimate to the Government that their supposition respecting the Councilors who have been publicly impeached is highly distasteful to the great mass of the citizens.

The vast crowds were very orderly, no rowdiness marred the effect of the memorable protest of the masses.

## THE PRINCE OF WALES.

MADRID, December 19th.  
The Prince of Wales met with an accident while shooting which may result in seriously impairing his eyesight.

## A CABINET CRISIS.

MADRID, December 19th.  
Ministers Romero Robledo and Bosch y Fusterguerra have sent in their resignations.

The resignations of Romero and Bosch have been accepted.

MADRID, December 19th.  
The resignation of Minister Romero Robledo has caused a huge sensation, and is the subject of heated debate in political circles. It is asserted that he resigned owing to a disagreement with his colleagues respecting the *modus operandi* of General Martinez Campos, Commander-in-Chief of the army operating against the rebels in Cuba.

Bosch's resignation is due to the odium attaching to him in connection with the serious irregularities charged against the members of the Municipal Council.

## THE "EDGAR" RELIEF FUND.

The Honorary Treasurer of the Edgar Relief Fund begs to acknowledge, with thanks the following donations:—  
Mr. F. J. Richard.....\$ 10  
Mr. A. H. H. Smith....." 10  
A. B. C....." 10  
V. C. H....." 10  
Mr. B. G. Stewart....." 5  
Mr. G. L. Stewart....." 5  
B. N....." 5  
A. P. A....." 5  
Capt. J. D. Sterling....." 2  
M....." 2

Brought forward.....\$ 77  
Total up to date.....\$ 316

[We think \$316 is a very poor showing for Hongkong, bearing in mind that the crew of the American warship *Yorktown* alone subscribed \$5000 a few hours. We should have thought Hongkong could have put up at least a thousand and not felt it.—F. H. K.]

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. *Caroline* will probably turn up here to-morrow from Amoy.

H.M.S. *Grafton*, a very fine and speedy vessel, is due here with relief about the end of the current month.

There will be a children's carol service in Union Church to-morrow afternoon, commencing at 3.30. An address will be delivered by the Rev. Q. J. Williams.

At the regular meeting of the Victoria Preceptory, held last night, Sir Knight J. Kirkwood was elected E.P. for the ensuing year, and Sir Knight F. W. Watts was elected Treasurer.

We are in receipt of a copy of "My Holidays in China" from the pen of Mr. W. R. Kahler, M.P. This is capably reprinted from the *Temperance Union*, Shanghai.

We shall deal with the Venezuela interview in our next issue, and in the meantime will try to guess which of the two, Uncle Sam or John Bull, will have to do the crawling and which of the two is most like a crawling fish.

We have received from the *Kobe Herald* office the British Consul's Trade Report on the foreign trade of Higo and Oka for the year 1894. This comes from a casual inspection, to be a very full report; but is not rather late at the end of 1895.

A few days ago we mentioned that Admiral Buller, C.B., had arrived at Sandakan, North Borneo, from Singapore. We now hear that the despatch vessel *Alacrity*, with the gallant Admiral on board, left Manila this morning for Hongkong and may be expected here to-morrow afternoon or early on Monday.

At the Magistracy this morning thirty-seven persons were charged with breaches of the "light and pass regulations" and subjected to small fines. Sixteen breaches of the market regulations were proved against hawkers, and varying punishments inflicted. For playing *Macchu* without license, one coolie was fined \$5, and two others went up for a fortnight each in lieu of the same fine. A housewife was given three weeks' imprisonment for leaving her place without giving due notice.

It is reported by a Straits contemporary that Sir W. Bonner, Chief Justice of Ceylon, has been offered, but has refused, the Chief Justiceship of Jamaica, worth £2,000 a year.

In Mr. Erich Georg's weekly share report, issued to-day, he states that "the opening of the West River has been practically decided upon," and that in consequence there is a brisk demand for Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.'s shares.

On Monday afternoon, at Happy Valley, the Hongkong Football Club will play the Garrison under Rugby rules; Club in usual colours and Garrison in white. The Club colours will be provided on the field; kick-off at 4.30. Referee, Mr. W. C. Morcom, R.N.

"SCRAP": We gave just what appeared in the *Straits Times*, which is, confessedly, about the last paper in the world in which we should expect to find the first and most reliable news of a prize-fight. That paper credits Fitz with knocking out Corbett in the 94th round.

Now that there are wars and rumours of war all over the world, and President Cleveland seems determined to "go on the running" it is interesting to note that Uncle Sam has twelve formidable war vessels—including the *Monocacy*—in Far Eastern waters, which muster between them no less than 165 guns! Great Scot!

PRACTICAL steps are being taken by the leading Chinese of the Colony to express their opinion with reference to the enforcement of the "light and pass" regulations. To this end a meeting has been called at the Tung Wah Hospital at noon to-morrow (Sunday) when the views of leading Chinese residents are to be given, and steps taken to bring "the consensus of opinion" to the knowledge of the Government.

HARPER's war-whoop from the *Frisco Bulletin*.—Admiral Walker compares the position of the United States in relation to first-class European nations to the position China occupied toward Japan before the recent war. The comparison is hardly fair. While the United States is not in good fighting condition at present, it is not so deplorably deficient in fighting ability as the Chinese showed themselves to be. Things would doubtless go against us for the first few months, but there is no reason to assume that we are incapable of the effort which in two or three years placed us in 1861 in the very front rank of fighting nations. But what the Admiral said about the necessity of a larger navy and an extensive system of coast and harbour fortification is none the less true. Defence is one of the ordinary and necessary expenses of Government. It is impossible to pursue a policy which will make us secure from attack. The star of civilization the world is in cannot be improved by pretending that it is higher than it is. The fact remains that ability to fight is the highest test of natural greatness. As Admiral Walker says, the greatest preventive of war is to be prepared for it. The United States have been so since the incident of the *USS Maine* in 1898. There would be no European aggressions in Venezuela or elsewhere if our lack of preparation was not known. From a purely economical point of view, a reasonably powerful navy and complete fortifications may be defended. Not only does weakness invite invasion, but the cost of expelling an invader would be infinitely greater than the cost of keeping one out.

THE Mission steam-launch *Day Spring* will call alongside any vessel holding the Chinese pennant, between 9 and 10.30 a.m., on Sunday, to convey men ashore to the 11 o'clock service, returning about 12.30 p.m.

THE *Monte* (Montreal) a French-Canadian paper, accuses King Leopold of Belgium of having robbed his sister Charlotte of her fortune. "Guess the editor wanted to get his paper talked out," says the *Handelsblad*. If so, he is successful, for the Belgian Consul threatens to prosecute the paper for libel.

THE *Kaiman Kan* and *Kohat Kan* are the guardships at Formosa, reports a Japanese vernacular journal, all the other men-of-war returning home. The *Tanuki Kan* will leave Yokohama shortly for the purpose of surveying the coast of Formosa, and the *Soko Kan* will leave Sasebo to survey between Formosa and the Pescadores.

STAFF SERGEANTS' MESS.

Last night a most enjoyable annual dinner, followed by a smoking concert, was given by the members of the Staff and Departmental Sergeants' Mess in their quarters in Queen's Road East. It has been the Staff's custom for years to give a dinner and "smoker" shortly before Christmas, and this year was no exception to the rule. Over fifty guests sat down at a splendid repast furnished by Thomas' Grill Room (which fully sustained the reputation of these caterers) G.S.M. Newberry, President of the Mess, occupied the chair, and among the guests were representatives from not only the various branches of the army, but also nearly every man-of-war in port and of the various government offices. After full justice had been done to the feast, a number of toasts were drunk, but this portion of the programme had to be curtailed in order to greet the additional guests who began to arrive for the succeeding part of the evening's festivities.

The tables were soon relaid with smothered delicacies and liquid refreshment, and around these gathered considerably over one hundred guests who were treated to a more than usually pleasant programme of songs and recitations. In the intervals between the various toasts, the toast of "The General," "The Officers," and "Staff-officers" were heartily proposed with musical honours, and suitably responded to. The crowning feature of the evening was an exhibition of mesmerism by Mr. Rooms, of H.M.S. *Centurion*, who displayed exceptional ability in the art. He easily put his two "subjects" asleep, and made them do through innumerable comical contortions. He then "hypnotised" his subject and placed him in a rigid state on the back of two chairs, where he remained immovable except when directed to move by the "Great Medium." He was later rendered immovable with arms outstretched, and pins were stuck in his arm without causing the least sign of pain. In awakening one subject some little difficulty was experienced, but the whole exhibition was a most perfect and interesting one. The spectators were completely held as to the means employed, and numerous were the tales told of the doings of the "professor."

This wound up one of the pleasantest evenings spent by the staff in Hongkong for some time past.

## HONGKONG INDUSTRIES.

## III.—SOAP.

In the course of an article entitled "Eastern versus Western Industries" in this journal on the 20th of September last, mention was made of the new departure made by Messrs. Blackhead & Co. at Shaikwan. We then stated that this enterprising firm had established at that place soap works, which were then in working order, and quoted the opinion of an expert, Mr. Jon. Abraham, that with the excellent machinery at hand and a plentiful supply of tallow, etc., they would be able to turn out soap suitable for the Chinese market cheaper than it could be done at Shanghai, and very much cheaper than the same article could be imported from home. As the business has now gone beyond the experimental stage a representative of the *Hongkong Telegraph* sought, and was courteously granted, permission a day or two ago to go over the works, the inspection resulting in the following interesting information being obtained:—

The soap works are situated on the Shaikwan Road, just about midway between that village and Messrs. Butterfield & Swire's sugar refinery, and on approaching them the visitor is first struck by the neatness and substantial character of the buildings. The road to a two-story and basement building, with wide verandah all round. This is reserved for the residence of the manager and soap-maker, Mr. Emil Marx. Adjoining this front building, in the rear, is a long, broad building, with nearly flat roof, which contains the soapmaking machinery and soda-crystal vats.

Upon being informed of the object of the visit, Mr. Marx, who was found busy in a laboratory fitted up with all the latest appliances for chemical research, courteously vouchsafed much interesting information. He began by explaining that the buildings had been built under his supervision, from his own plans. In addition to this having the machinery and offices arranged in accordance with the requirements of the trade and conditions in the East, with which he had become familiar through his ten years' work in Japan, Mr. Marx added that the buildings had been erected for less than two-thirds of what any contractor would undertake to do it. Singapore hard-wood, equal to English oak for inside work, had been used throughout, and personal supervision had secured that none but the best brick and mortar had been used. Instead of following the Eastern custom and tiling the roofs, and so being constantly troubled with leaks, Mr. Marx covered his nearly flat roof with a preparation of cement laid far as mixed as never to completely harden on top. Roofing paper was also used, the result being a firm, absolutely watertight roof which the heaviest typhoon is unable to lift, and which, besides being light, a better non-conductor of heat than tiles or iron. Another feature worthy of note was found in Mr. Marx's rooms, where the mouldings of the walls, the woodwork about the doors and windows, and the furniture were all perfectly harmonized. The furniture and mouldings were all made on the premises from the designs of the manager, the result being most highly satisfactory.

Entering the works proper, we found on the first floor the huge vats in which soap is made. Here are mixed the tallow, oils and soda, which form the ingredients of the substance. These are thoroughly mixed and heated by steam, the result being pure soap. From these tanks the soap is run into "mixers" on the basement floor, where coloring matter is introduced and it undergoes the mechanical processes necessary to turn out the different qualities. These operations completed, the product is run into iron tanks on cars, wherein it hardens and is ready for moulding. These tanks have removable sides, so that when hardened the twenty-hundred-weight blocks are left standing on the cars, which are run on to an elevator and again taken to the upper floor. Here it is cut by various machines, until it is either in the form of long bars, for washing purposes, or in tablets, for toilet use. The cakes or bars are then stamped or pressed by hand, and packed in neat boxes ready for the market in all parts of China.

About a dozen different qualities of soap are turned out, the commonest washing soap being of superior quality to the common Liverpool and German soap imported so largely of late years, while the best quality of toilet soap compares favourably with any imported foreign toilet soap. The manufacture of the finest qualities of these soaps, however, requires additional expensive machinery, and so far the demand in the East for them does not warrant this being imported. The capacity of the works is very large, but at present, with a very small staff of workmen, 100 tons are being turned out weekly, and we are informed that wherever introduced it is driving all competitors out of the market. Mr. Marx claims that when his product becomes known it will drive out not only the Korean product, which is already nearly ousted by Japanese soap, but that even the latter trade will be stopped, at least in South China. He can understand the very cheapest brands with a better article, and make a very good profit. He explains this by saying that tallow and oil cost here about half as much as in Europe—these are procured, the former in China and the latter in India—that his soda, procured mainly from the Tyne, can be laid down in Hongkong, by steam or rail, at a price of about 10s. 6d. per ton, and that the place of production is carried by rail, and the cheapness of labour, of which he needs only a minimum owing to the compactness of his works. If these contentions are found practically true, as the result of a year's working we may expect to see vast strides made in this local industry.

In addition to the manufacture of soap, the works turn out weekly 500 barrels, or twenty-five tons, of soda crystals, a common soda, which is so extensively used for domestic purposes. The raw material is imported, exceedingly cheaply, from England, and it can be here purified and put on the market at a price beyond the reach of the home makers. This trade shows vast improvement, and already, after only six months' working, it has been found necessary to enlarge the plant for this purpose, and in a few weeks it is hoped that double this quantity may be turned out.

In addition to these two articles Mr. Marx is now experimenting with other chemical products, and is already thinking of enlarging his buildings and going into other branches of chemical manufacture, which he, as a practical chemist, thinks can be very profitably carried on.

A return was made to the laboratory, where the Manager carefully explained the details and uses of all the latest instruments and appliances in use in analytical chemistry, and here, after hanking him for his courtesy and trouble, our representative left him, as happy as a King amongst his retorts, test-tubes, blow-glasses, and so on, and knows what else. Here, day by day, he found the combination of the theoretical chemist who talks of weighing the thousandth part of a grain—and in fact showed the variation in the weight of hot and cold air by breathing on the glass surrounding a very sensitive balance, thus causing the side nearest the breath to rise—carefully studying the various products of China, with a view to turning them to practical account, thus typifying the importance of the application of science to commercial pursuits. In this union it is to be found the secret of the grandest advances made during the century.







## Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.  
No. 518.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on  
MONDAY,  
the 23rd day of December, 1895, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.  
By Command,  
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 7th December, 1895. [1753.]

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 23rd day of December, 1895, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 99 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square Feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
1	1358	Wong-nah Bay	50 ft. x 100 ft.	5,000	\$3	1750

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.  
No. 519.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on  
MONDAY,  
the 23rd day of December, 1895, at 4 P.M., are published for general information.  
By Command,  
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 7th December, 1895. [1754.]

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## Amusements.

THEATRE ROYAL,  
CITY HALL

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB will give TWO PERFORMANCES of  
ARTHUR W. PINERO'S Popular Farce  
"DANDY DICK"  
ON  
THURSDAY, 26th December, 1895.  
SATURDAY, 28th December, 1895.  
Commencing each Evening at 8 P.M. precisely.  
Messrs. C. H. GRACE, V. A. C. S. B. HAWKINS, R. BURNETT, F. CLARK, S. L. DABY, A. S. C. MANNERS and W. S. FROWD.  
Mrs. J. ANDREW, Mrs. V. A. C. S. B. HAWKINS, Miss M. DICK-MELBOURNE and Mr. ALFRED WROTTELEY.

TICKETS can be obtained at the Theatre Royal City Hall, on and after THURSDAY, the 26th December.  
Boxing Office open each day from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.  
Prices \$3.00, \$2.00 and \$1.00.  
Late Trains 15 minutes after each Performance.  
Hongkong, 11th December, 1895. [1743.]

## Notice of Firms.

## THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE.

FROM This Date, during the absence of Mr. JAS. B. COUGHTRY from the Colony, Mr. GEO. L. TOMLIN has been appointed ACTING SECRETARY to the Company.  
A. MCCONACHIE,  
Chairman.  
Hongkong, 9th December, 1895. [1708.]

## NOTICE.

MY Brother Mr. EDMUND HUMPHREYS, my Son Mr. HENRY HUMPHREYS, Mr. HART BUCK, and my Nephew Mr. JOHN AMBROSE JUPP have this Day been admitted into PARTNERSHIP, in my FIRM of JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON.  
JNO. D. HUMPHREYS.  
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1895. [1672.]

## Shipping.

## STEAMERS.

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.  
THE Company's Steamship

"KUTSANG"  
Captain Payne, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 24th instant, at 3 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [1753.]

## Intimations.

## ANIMAL EXTRACTS

ARE THE GREATEST DISCOVERY IN MODERN MEDICINE.

HAVE YOU TRIED THEM?

CEREBRINE, extract of the brain of the Ox, for Nervous Prostration, Insomnia, &c.  
CARDINE, extract of the heart, for functional weakness of the heart.  
MEDULLINE, extract of the spinal cord, for Locomotor Ataxia.  
OVARINE, extract of the Ovaries, for diseases of Women.  
TESTINE, for Premature decay.  
THYROIDINE, for Extrema and impurities of blood.  
SOLE CONSIGNEES,  
WATKINS & CO.,  
APOTHECARIES' HALL, 66, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

## SOCIETE FRANCAISE DES EXPLOSIFS, PARIS.

## DYNAMITE

No. 1 Blasting Gelatine, No. 1 Dynamite, Gelatine Dynamite, Galgula, Detonators, and all necessary appliances, can be obtained in any quantity, securely packed in cases of 80 lbs. each.  
TRADE MARK.  
Electric Fuses, Electric Machines, Galgula, Iridio Platinum Wire.

Apply to JOHN D. HUTCHISON, Esq., HONG KONG.  
Agent for M. OPPENHEIMER & CO., PARIS.

## Shipping.

## STEAMERS.

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.  
THE Company's Steamship

"NAMO,"  
Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 22nd instant, at Daylight.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [1794.]

## THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, VIA PORTS OF CALL.  
THE Company's Steamship

"MOYUNE,"  
C. H. Kemp, Commander, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 24th instant, at 3 P.M.  
For Freight, apply to  
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 20th December, 1895. [1713.]

## "WARRACK" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.  
THE Steamship

"LENNOX,"  
Captain Williamson, R.N.R., will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 24th instant, at 5 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 20th December, 1895. [1356.]

## OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.  
THE Company's Steamship

"TEUCER,"  
Captain Riley, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 24th instant.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [1782.]

## CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW AND SINGAPORE.  
THE Steamship

"NANCHANG,"  
Captain Finlayson, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 25th instant.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 20th December, 1895. [1797.]

## "SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR HAVRE, LONDON AND HAMBURG.  
THE Company's Steamship

"PECTAN,"  
Captain N. Hocken, will be despatched as above on or about the 27th instant.  
For Freight, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 10th December, 1895. [1736.]

## "BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.  
THE Steamship

"BENGLOE,"  
Captain Thomson, will be despatched as above on or about the 28th instant.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [1786.]

## "SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR GENOA AND MARSEILLES.  
THE Company's Steamship

"CLAM,"  
Captain D. T. Davis, will be despatched as above on or about the 30th instant.  
For Freight, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 12th December, 1895. [1749.]

## "GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.  
THE Steamship

"GLENFARG,"  
Captain Selby, will be despatched as above on or about FRIDAY, the 17th January.  
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [1793.]

## SAILING VESSELS.

FOR NEW YORK.  
THE 3/3 A.L.I. American Ship

"JOHN R. KELLEY,"  
Captain Chapman, having arrived, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick dispatch.  
For Freight, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,  
Hongkong, 21st November, 1895. [1608.]

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.  
THE 100 A.L.I. British Ship

"BRODICK CASTLE,"  
Ferguson, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick dispatch.  
For Freight, apply to  
SHEWAN & Co.,  
Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1692.]

## Consignees.

NORDDEUTSCHER LOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "SACHSEN,"

THE above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasures and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.  
Optional Cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given TO-DAY before 4 P.M.  
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th instant, will be subject to rent.  
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on FRIDAY, the 27th instant, at 3 P.M.  
All Claims must reach us before the 29th instant, or they will not be recognized.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
MELCHERS & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 20th December, 1895. [1713.]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM MIDDLESBORO, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship "GLENESK,"  
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.  
Cargo remaining undelivered after the 31st instant will be subject to rent.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Consignees are requested to present all Claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 1st January, otherwise they will not be recognized.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [1788.]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship "KUTSANG,"  
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.  
Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M. of the 20th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.  
No Fire Insurance will be effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [1784.]

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship "COPTIC."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.  
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel, will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.  
J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [1793.]

NOTICE.

THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

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Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [1793.]

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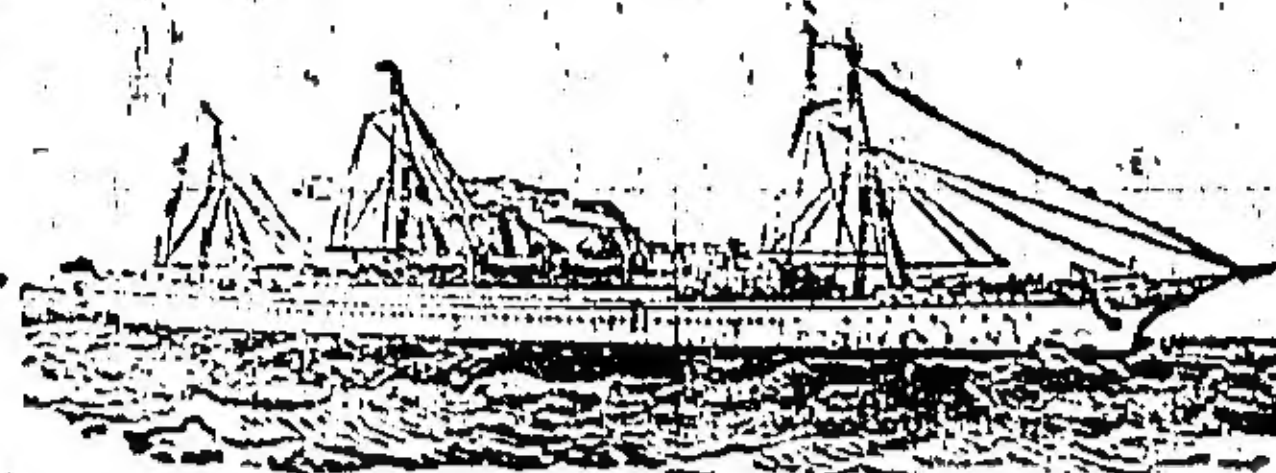
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THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.  
(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.)  
Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. G. A. Lee, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 25th December.  
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 22nd January, 1896.  
EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. H. Byss, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 19th February, 1896.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY leaving there daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.  
SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.  
CIRCULAR PACIFIC TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney Australia, via Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong via Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for 9 months, \$100.  
The attractive features of this Company's route, embraces its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (this Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition) and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Line passes.  
THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.  
For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to  
D. E. BROWN, General Agent,  
Paddy's Street, Hongkong, 20th November, 1895.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL  
STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO  
JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES,  
MEXICO,  
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

VIA  
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,  
AND  
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
Coptic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Thursday, 26th Dec., at Noon.  
Galle (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Tuesday, 14th Jan., at Noon, 1896.  
Brigit (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Saturday, 1st Feb., at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship  
"COPTIC"  
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 26th December, 1895, at Noon. Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.  
Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.  
Special rates (First-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.  
Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCELS PACKAGES should be marked to address in full, and same will be received at the Company's Office until five P.M. the day previous to sailing.  
Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.  
For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [1793.]

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STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD  
COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and CANADA and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON \$400.  
Excellent accommodation: First-class Table, DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK \$350.  
The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA \$225.  
Rates of Passage to other Ports on application. Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
(SUBJECT TO ALLOCATION.)

Steamship	Day	Time	Month
Hankow	Tuesday	11:00	Jan. 24
Tacoma	Tuesday	11:00	Jan. 24
Victoria	Tuesday	11:00	Feb. 11
Hankow	Tuesday	11:00	Mar. 10
Tacoma	Tuesday	11:00	Apr. 7

THE Steamship  
"HANKOW,"  
Captain Orr, sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 24th December, will proceed to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, via SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Ports.  
Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.  
Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to sailing.  
For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
General Agents,  
Hongkong, 4th December, 1895. [1754.]

## OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1895.  
(Subject to Allocation.)

Steamship	Day	Time	Month
Altmore	Friday	12:00	27th Dec.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

THE Steamship  
"ALTMORE,"  
will be despatched hence for VICTORIA, B.C., and PORTLAND, OREGON, via KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on FRIDAY, the 27th Dec.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.  
For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to  
SHEWAN & Co.,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 17th December, 1895. [1776.]

## NOTICE.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS.

ALSO  
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
(SUBJECT TO ALLOCATION.)

Steamship	Day	Time	Month
Sachsen	Monday	11:00	16th Jan.
Karlsruhe	Monday	11:00	13rd Feb.
Prinz Heinrich	Tuesday	11:00	3rd March
Prinzess	Tuesday	11:00	31st March
Prinzess	Tuesday	11:00	28th April
Karlsruhe	Tuesday	11:00	16th May
Prinz Heinrich	Tuesday	11:00	20th June

ON MONDAY, the 6th day of January, 1896, at 9 P.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain H. Supper, with MAIL, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on SATURDAY, the 4th Jan. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until Noon on MONDAY the 6th Jan., and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on WEDNESDAY, the 10th Jan. Consular Invoices of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.  
The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.  
Linen can be washed on board.  
For further Particulars, apply to  
MELCHERS & Co.,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 12th December, 1895. [1713.]

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